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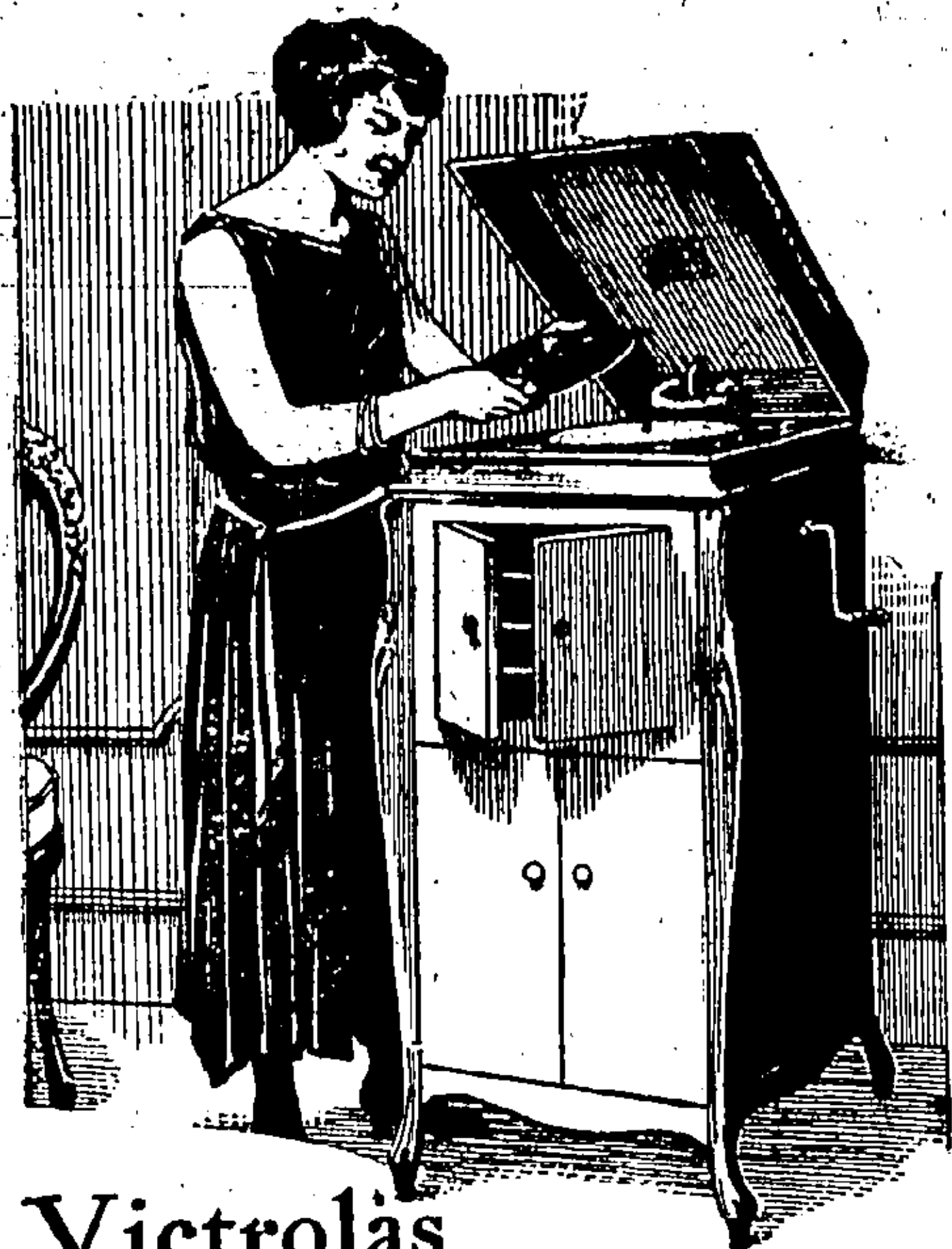


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GENERAL SMUTS SPEECH.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, October 25.

General Smuts made a speech which, broadcasted by wireless, and heard not merely throughout Britain but probably in Paris and a large part of the Continent, continues to be an absorbing topic. That section of the press which is generally anti-French in tone, acclaims Smuts as a statesman capable of leading Europe out of the abyss by an appeal to moral force, speaking with a directness and vigour not hitherto evidenced by any British statesman, while pro-French organs deplore his "unfortunate incursion" into foreign politics without the necessary equipment. It is pointed out that the undefined position of General Smuts is convenient, enabling him to say things which it is desirable to say without investing them with an atmosphere of formal declaration. Some papers declare that Smuts' views are those of all the overseas statesmen in London.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE GRATEFUL.

LATER.

The Duke of Devonshire, speaking at a banquet in honour of the dominion statesmen in London, said he was profoundly thankful to General Smuts for his contribution to the solution of the greatest existing problem. The Duke of Devonshire felt that when the representatives of the great dominions knew they could come here with full liberty of thought and speech it was emblematic of the conditions under which we were governed.

FRENCH "SHOCKED AND SURPRISED."

There has been little comment in the French press so far. The *Westminster Gazette's* diplomatic correspondent says French opinion is shocked and surprised and momentarily inclined to refuse all idea of an international conference. He asserts that M. Poincaré will never sit at the same table as General Smuts after the latter's speech. *Le Temps* denounces the "venomous attack on France." The *Echo de Paris* sees the existence of a concerted action between "anti-French Diatribes" of Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. McKenna and General Smuts and the sudden outbreak of German lamentations before the Reparations Commission.

AMERICA KEENLY INTERESTED.

NEW YORK, October 25.

General Smuts' speech has aroused great interest. It is quoted at length in the newspapers whose front pages are splashed with big headlines. It is regarded as a reply to the efforts of "die-hard" British Ministers to muzzle the Imperial Conference. It is pointed out that General Smuts' speech was delivered within twenty-four hours of a speech by Mr. Lloyd George in Indianapolis, also urging an international conference on reparations.

"S.O.S." MYSTERY EXPLAINED.

WIRELESS OPERATOR'S MISTAKE.

NEW YORK, October 25.

The "Westmoreland" has been signalled 250 miles west of Valencia. The erroneous report that the "Westmoreland" was sinking was brought to Newport News by the master of a Danish steamer whose good faith is unquestioned. His operator evidently misinterpreted the wireless.

[Cables received yesterday from Newport News stated:—The British steamer "Westmoreland" from Boston, with a crew of eighty officers and men, has sent an "S.O.S." message which broke off in the middle. It is feared that all aboard have perished. Mystery surrounds the earlier report from Newport News as the Federal Steam Navigation Company are owners of the only steamer "Westmoreland," in Lloyd's list. They declare the ship cannot be theirs in view of the wireless, which the captain sent to his wife, reporting all well and that he would be home on Saturday.]

AMERICA'S DUTY.

"CLOSING DOOR TO WAR."

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE'S VIEW.

NEW YORK, October 25.

Opening his campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination at Dallas, Texas, Senator Underwood declared that America had surrendered her leadership in world affairs and was losing herself in partisan politics. "The plain duty that lies ahead of us is to return to the principles guiding America in the great war, to have and to exercise a definite Governmental policy in Europe that will function by peaceful means, aiding the establishment of stable government and the re-establishing of stable financial and business conditions and aiding in an international understanding that will close the door to war."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

DINNER TO DOMINION REPRESENTATIVES.

LONDON, October 25.

The League of Nations Union entertained the overseas representatives to the Imperial Conference to dinner to-night. Mr. George Gilbert Murray, Vice-Chairman of the Executive League of Nations Union, presided.

General Smuts, Mr. Bruce and H. H. the Maharaj of Alwar were among those present. Sir Robert Cecil, in a letter apologising for his absence, declared that the machinery of the League was sufficiently sound. What was required was more popular support.

CONFERENCE OF THE POWERS.

AMERICA'S POSITION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, October 25.

A flood of light is thrown on General Smuts' reference of the 23rd inst., by the fact that negotiations are afoot to hold a conference of the Powers regarding reparations, by the publication of important telegrams which passed a few days ago between Lord Curzon and Secretary of State Hughes. The British Foreign Secretary asks if the United States still adheres to Mr. Hughes' declaration of last December when it was suggested an International conference be held to assess Germany's capacity to pay and to consider an appropriate financial plan to ensure such payments—Mr. Hughes' replies in the affirmative and emphasises that the United States does not desire to see Germany relieved of the responsibility of the war or her just obligations and expresses the opinion that the conference should be advisory as governments would naturally be unwilling to bind themselves in advance. The United States reserves a decision regarding its participation in the proposed enquiry, unless the European Powers are unanimous, regarding holding it.

HOPEFUL OUTLOOK.

In the telegrams which have passed between Lord Curzon and Mr. Hughes, Lord Curzon preliminarily refers to the ineffectual proposals of the British Government to the allies for solution of the reparations question. He believes that if there is no common action, not merely Germany, but Europe appears to be drifting to economic disaster, therefore he appeals for the co-operation of the United States Government which Great Britain believes is essential to a condition of any real advance towards a settlement. Lord Curzon points out America's disinterest is greater than the European powers. She is vitally concerned in a solution of the European problem, if only because it involves the question of the inter-allied debt. He says Great Britain always heartily approved of Mr. Hughes' declaration in December, but France disapproved. Lord Curzon welcomes the recent statement of President Coolidge that the American Government adheres to the declaration and asks in the event of holding an enquiry, whether Great Britain and the majority of the allies could still hope for American co-operation even though complete unanimity is not forthcoming at this end; alternatively if America will cooperate, assuming the proposed enquiry is entrusted to the reparations commission.

IN THE EMPIRE'S NAME.

Lord Curzon made the statement that the government is speaking in the name of the whole of the British Empire as represented in the Imperial Conference and expresses his desire to receive any American suggestion. Mr. Hughes in reply insists that there should be no grounds of impression that if the London Conference is called it aims at relieving Germany of obligations, or that resistance to the fulfilment of the obligations, should be in anywise supported. He refers to Lord Curzon's argument that the United States is interested because the question of inter-allied debt is involved as he contends the practicability of methods to secure reparations and allied payment of debts to the United States constitute distinct obligations and the United States cannot appoint a reparations commission member without the consent of Congress, but no doubt a competent American would be willing to participate in the economic enquiry. The reply reiterates the United States desire to lend assistance towards re-establishing peace and economic restoration.

ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

WHAT IT IS DISCUSSING.

LONDON, October 25.

The Economic Conference has begun the consideration of reciprocal judgments and a Currency Committee of imperial experts has assembled at the Foreign Office. The agenda included whiskey running to the United States and the treaty-making powers of dominions when the recent Canadian-American fisheries treaties will undoubtedly arise. Mr. Baldwin was unable to attend to-day owing to his departure for Plymouth to deliver a speech at the Conservative conference.

GERMAN UNREST.

POLICE ATTACK SEPARATISTS.

BRUSSELS, October 25.

Reports received here state German police early in the morning attacked Separatists installed in Government offices at Aix-la-Chapelle but were unsuccessful. It is reported that five police and two Separatists were killed.

LIEGE, October 25.

It is stated that the Separatists have retired from most of the towns in the Belgian Zone where a republic was proclaimed.

IRISH DEPORTEES.

TRIBUNAL AWARDS COMPENSATION.

LONDON, October 25.

The Irish Deportees Compensation Tribunal in London has awarded an aggregate of £3,941 sterling to three men and three women who were deported from Britain to Ireland last March. Their claims amounted to £20,300.

LLOYD GEORGE IN WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, October 25.

Mr. Lloyd George has arrived here and called on Mr. Hughes. He also lunched with President Coolidge and members of the Cabinet.

(Other news cables will be found on page 5.)

Monday, October 29th

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Sparkling Hock, Creme de
Menthe, Moscatel, Anisette, Cherry
Brandy, Orange Curacao, Lemon
Peel Gin, Kummel, Sloe Gin, etc.,
etc.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 27th October, 1923.ON
MONDAY, October 29, 1923,
commencing at 11 a.m.,
at The Sun Soap Factory, Wing
Hing Street (Causeway Bay)
A Quantity of MachineryComprising:—
One Boiler
One Pump
Five Soap Boilers
One Paper Cutter 45" etc., etc.And
A Quantity of FurnitureTerms:—Cash on delivery.
LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 29th October, 1923.ON
MONDAY, October 29, 1923,
commencing at 2.45 p.m.,
at No. 20 The Peak, Chamberlain Road.
A Quantity of
Valuable Household Furniture.
(Full particulars from Catalogue)
On View from Sunday the 28th
October 1923.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.ON
TUESDAY, October 30, 1923,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.,
at No. 25 Bellicia Terrace, Conduit Road.
A Quantity of
Valuable Household Furniture.
(Full particulars from Catalogue)
On View from Monday the 29th
October 1923.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
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Hongkong, 29th October, 1923.**THE WATER SUPPLY.**Level and Storage of water in two rivers
on the 1st October 1923:—**CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS**

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Consumption of water in the City
and Hill District in millions and decimals
of gallons during the month of September.

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Intermittent Supply in all Rides Main
Districts during September 1923 excepting
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3rd September 1923.Intermittent Supply in all districts
from 4th to 30th excepting the district
East of Arsenal Street which was given
a Constant Supply from 13th September.
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account of damage to the Bowen Road
Conduit by landslides.**KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.**Kowloon District 1st. On. 2nd. On. Above
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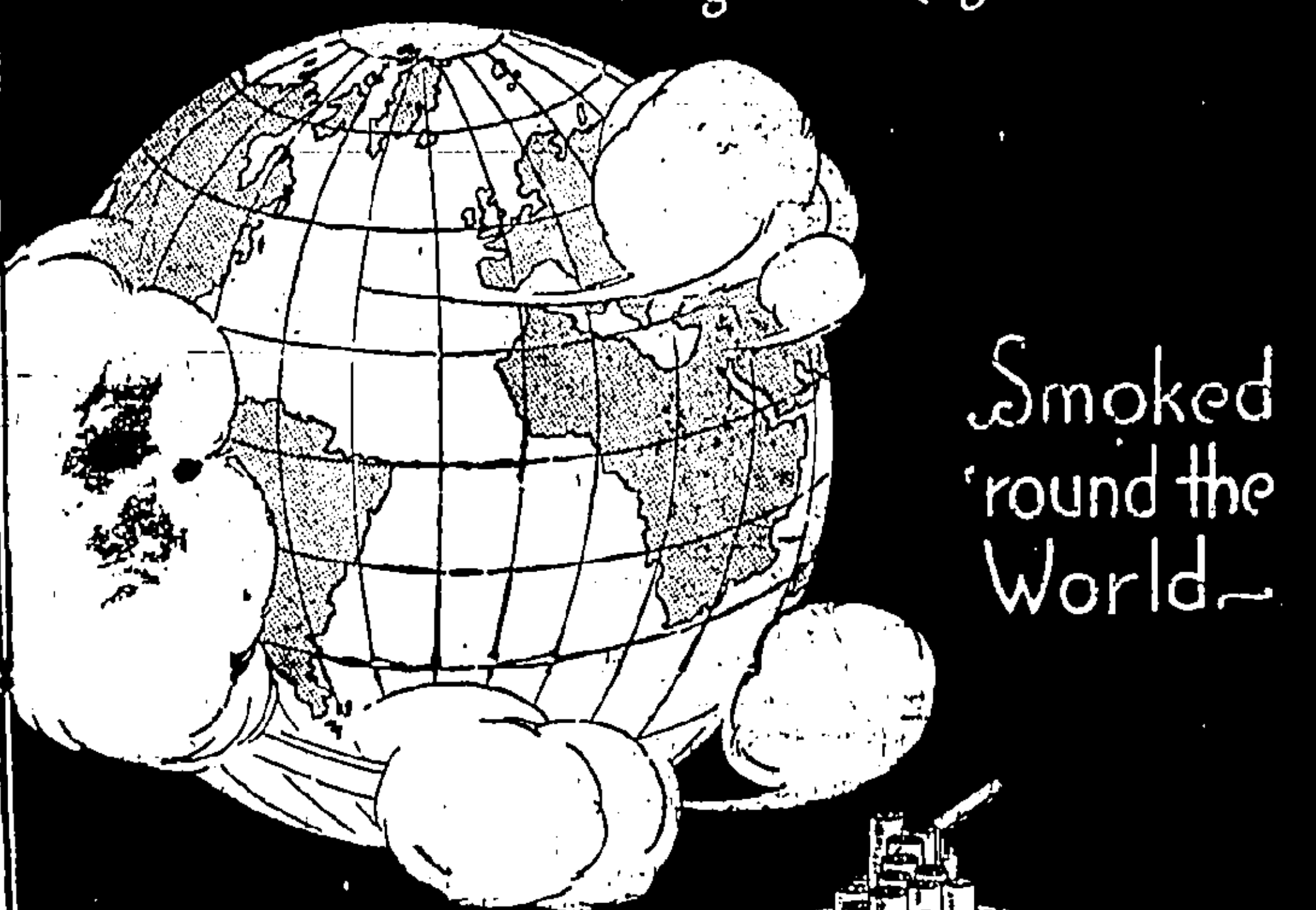
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HONGKONG FRIDAY, OCT. 26, 1923.

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS.

The project of the Channel Tunnel scheme at home is being kept steadily to the fore as something much to be desired in many ways than one. It is an old project of course and has been discussed from every possible angle until at last it is generally agreed that the matter is feasible, warranted, and very necessary. A few decades ago the main objection to the tunnel scheme was in connection with the alleged danger from a military point of view. To-day, Sir Percy Tempest, engineer of the English Channel Tunnel Company, points out that since the advent of the aeroplane all such objections have practically lost their significance. The entire proposition, therefore, really resolves itself into a question of finances. If constructed, would the tunnel be a financial success? In answer, it is stated that recent figures, based upon the existing cross-channel traffic, clearly show that the tunnel would not only pay its way, but would be likely to bring about such an increase in travel between Great Britain and the Continent that in due course the revenue would be considerable. An interesting feature on which stress has been laid is that by means of a patent boring machine the channel scheme could be completed in two and a half years if two were set to work simultaneously, the one on the English side and the other on the French.

In each typhoon season the question arises in Hongkong as to the possibility of making a tunnel to "bridge" Hongkong with Kowloon, but so far as we know the practical side of this matter has never been discussed fully, steps taken to see if it is possible to build such a tunnel, and further to see if it could be made into a paying proposition which is generally the main consideration applied to such matters in Hongkong. If the Colony con-

tinues to develop as it is doing now, the question must arise continually as to what is to be done adequately to meet the problem of traffic control which exists to-day and becomes greater as time goes on. Motor cars are increasing in size and number, and pedestrian traffic becomes one of some little danger, seeing that in many instances sidewalks are not sufficiently wide enough, and the common habit, lessening perhaps a little, of using the streets, for it is not only the Chinese who are deficient in local traffic sense. The question of "one-way" roads, asserts itself as one small way out of a tremendous difficulty; another, wider roads and the insistence under pain of a fine, that pedestrians shall make use of the sidewalks, and that a keep-to-the-left rule be rigidly enforced. In many of our large cities this rule is rigidly enforced even on the sidewalks and is a simple and efficient expedient to which the populace readily concurs. We are not quite familiar with the Praya Reclamation scheme, but imagine that a look into the future has been taken and that the Marine Walk, which we herewith christen it, will be of fairly broad dimensions.

In the absence of larger ferry boats, would the provision of a tunnel help in any way? Passengers are increasing whilst goods landed at the godowns have to be shipped across the harbour. Would a toll to be paid by those using the tunnel, and by those making use of it to "ship" merchandise to the Hongkong side, and vice versa, pay for the upkeep? What would the cost of such a scheme be? Here is a job awaiting technical men—an engineer, and a statistician. Adding one further thought to the matter, is the time over to arrive when we shall be able to step on to a train in Hongkong and in a matter of days find ourselves in England without having had the trouble to change our means of conveyance, or in the question of conveyance by air-ship likely to revolutionise the question of traffic beyond all conception of thought? If so, has the matter been thought of and the

question of suitable sites for hangers been taken into consideration? The subject may seem fantastical, but there may be some brains in the Colony of the type possessed by Mr. H. G. Wells able to concentrate on the future and outline for us the conditions that are likely to exist within the next ten or twenty years.

The Irresponsible Motorist.

Those who travel about much or little by motor-car and those who do not can hardly escape a too familiar contact with the irresponsible driver who "takes a chance" at the expense of others on the streets and highways. With each returning season the menace increases, apparently in exact proportion to the increase in the number of motor-cars. The hazard increases in even greater proportion because of greater congestion of traffic on the principal roads. Eventually, it may develop that the necessity will be realised of making certain of our roads "one-way" roads, in this way lessening the menace of the irresponsible driver. With the cars "operating" in the Colony now slowly mounting to 2,000 in number some such system will have to be devised, with exceptions in favour of Doctors and Government servants engaged in carrying out their duties. Another matter which will need to receive attention is the unnecessary loud noise of speeding cars, especially when passing certain buildings.

Opium Owners.

A new departure in police court methods is noticeable in various notices on police boards. They are to the effect that certain opium has been seized in places "without being apparently in the possession of any person." Under Opium Ordinance 4 of 1914, section 49, notice is given that unless the contraband is claimed within one week, it will be disposed of according to law. It may be that these notices are merely to comply with certain requirements of the law. But what purpose is served by asking smugglers to come forward and claim opium which has been seized, is beyond comprehension. As the fine is ten times the value of the opium which would be confiscated in any case, with the further chance of imprisonment with hard labour. There have been cases of junk owners coming forward to admit responsibility when their craft has been detained and it is worth more than the opium, or there is something in it which has escaped the eye of the officers, but there is no record of anybody admitting ownership because of some sentimental attachment in the opium.

To-day's Poems.

(Road Song.)
"Where are you going?" he said.
"Where are you going?" said I.
Then he said, "Where the dawn throws red
And silver over the sky;
Somewhere the boughs are swinging
Somewhere a thrush is singing;
Somewhere the winds are winging
Through places wild and high.
And I shouted, "So am I!"
"Of what are you dreaming?" he said.
"Of what are you dreaming?" said I.
And he said, "Of camp-fires red
And a roof of starry sky;
Of waking to find that the singing
In boughs above me swinging
Is not a dream; of springing
To catch winds laughing by."
And I shouted, "So am I!"
—HILTON R. GREY.

If you wish in the world to advance,
Your merits you're bound to enhance;
You must stir it and stomp it
And blow your own trumpet.
Or, trust me, you haven't a chance.
—W. S. GILBERT.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

OCTOBER 26.

3711. I dined with Mrs. Van; for the weather is so bad, and I am so busy, that I can't dine with great folk.—Swift.

1790: A yellow shower of leaves is falling continually from all the trees in the country.—Cooper.

1820. We have had horrid wet weather, and as rough as ever blew out of our angry heavens; the wind that makes my "turbid" topple on the waders' heads will have rough work to do, for mine are not the sort of battlement—man—outfitters; an befall Harrow Waipole—our fine alone gives us leave to build a view to posterity.—Scott (in Samuel Rogers and his Court.)

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

October 26.—Coronet Theatre: Richard Barthelmess in "Tol'able David."

October 26.—Star Theatre: 5.30 p.m. "Skinner's Dress Suit"; 9.30 p.m. fighting film; also grand vaudeville acts at both shows.

October 26.—World Theatre: "The Mystery of the Yellow Room."

October 29.—Theatre Royal: Grand Violin Recital by Jascha Heifetz.

October 26.—Cinematograph entertainment at Helena May Institute, 5 p.m.

November 2.—Navy League Ball at City Hall, 9.30 p.m.

November 10-12.—Hongkong Jockey Club's next Gymkhana.

November 15.—Palace Hotel handicap billiards tournament commences.

October 27.—Lammert Bros., at Duddell Street, a quantity of wines, spirits and liquors, noon.

October 28.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, a collection of Postage Stamps, at 5.15 p.m.

October 29.—Lammert Bros., at Wing Hing Street, (Causeway Bay) a quantity of Machinery and furniture from The Sun Soap Factory, 11 a.m.

October 29.—Lammert Bros., at No. 20, The Peak, Chamberlain Rd., a quantity of valuable household furniture, 2.45 p.m.

October 30.—Lammert Bros., at No. 25 Bellisio Terrace, Conduit Road, valuable household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

October 28.—Annual general meeting of Royal Marines Old Comrades Association (Hongkong and South China branch) at Chaplain's Room, Naval Yard, 11.30 a.m.

October 30.—Public meeting of the Hongkong Boy Scout's Association at the City Hall, from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

October 30.—Fourth annual general meeting of the Hongkong Boxing Association at Messrs. Matheson's board room, 5.15 p.m.

November 2.—Licensing Board in the Council Chamber, 12.15 p.m.

November 6.—Second ordinary annual meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong & Canton Ice Manufacturing Co., Ltd., at 2, Lower Albert Road, noon.

GATHERING IN THE SHEAVES.

"Twain mystery and mystery,
As silent as the tide;
Old pleasures fall from our life's tree,
As autumn years we ride.

While Mother Earth goes round our Sun,
We are from depths endured;
With Memory, Oh, lonely one,
To share our solitude.

In reverie within the glade,
And heart of forest's deep;
Beneath the Tree of Life's dim shade,
Our vigils we may keep.

No echoes ringing in the air,
Or favoured grandchild's kiss;
May reach us in our easy-chair—
Disturb our Fancy's bliss:

As we in boundless gratitude,
Remake sweet friendships old;
And seek in life's beatitude
We had but could not hold.

We go on roaming thus afar,
Our thoughts like falling leaves;
And seek our friends in each lone star,
And gather in the sheaves.

The sheaves from harvests late in life,
In autumn's glow we see;
The friends we passed in useless strife
On youth's ungrateful sea.

Oh, grant, ye gods so erudite,
We humbly do beseech;
That those in youth may see the light
Which autumn lessons teach!

JOHN KYOTO.

1923.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Quarry Bay branch of the Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League announce an exhibition and sale of work in the Talkoo Club Hall on Wednesday, November 14.

The committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association is to meet on Monday, November 5, when it is expected that far-reaching proposals will be drawn up for next year's campaign.

CRICKET.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

LAST SATURDAY'S GAMES.

Last Saturday interest in the local cricket world centred on the first league match between the Club and the Indians. Others have already written on how cricket can be spoilt by there being a league or similar competition. I partly agree with them but, at the same time, would point out that some such rivalry tends to stimulate interest in the game. In England, Australia, and South Africa, they have their first-class competitions and the organisers must have agreed that the game derived some benefit from this friendly struggle or they would have dropped it long ago.

I am not writing on the policies adopted in this match nor the misunderstandings which cropped up as my colleagues which cropped up as one of the umpires, has already given his views and it is not my intention to start a controversy. Still, there is one point that bears dwelling upon and that is the subject of umpires. The local football management seems to see that referees are appointed for games under its auspices. Could not the same be done in cricket and thus save any possible delay in waiting for an umpire? I am told that in one of the "friendly" matches played last Saturday, the home team provided neither umpire nor scorer. This, I think all will agree, is leaving things too much to chance.

As to defensive tactics to play for a draw instead of fighting for a win, expert opinion is divided. As long as points are at stake we shall seldom be treated to those exhibitions of fireworks so dear to the heart of the majority of spectators. My own opinion is that a batsman's *raison d'être* is that he should get runs and that, with discretion, the sooner he gets them the better. I do not believe, especially in Saturday afternoon cricket, in a batsman trying to play himself in first, but in dealing with each ball on its merits, bearing in mind the old saying that "offence is the best defence" and "W. G.'s" famous maxim that one should get at a fast bowler before he gets at you. Far be it from me that I should suggest even the bowler himself in a mire scoring strokes properly made.

The question of whether a batsman can be out l.b.w. to a left hand round the wicket bowler with a break, also cropped up at Saturday's first league match. Older residents will probably recall that famous left-hander, R. E. O. Bird, who was reputed "to break a foot." The *China Mail* will welcome any information as to the discussions witnessed a practical test in the F.M.S. on the subject and his experience is that a left-hander, bowling round the wicket will pitch a ball "in a straight line from it to the striker's wicket" and hit it far oftener than most people think. Lay strings from wicket to wicket connecting the outside stumps at either end, put your left-hander (round) on to bowl without a batsman, and you will soon realize that it is by no means impossible for him to get a man l.b.w.

Surmises are rife as to the probable champions this year. Last year's winners, the Varsity, have not found their form as yet and have lost two successive "friendlies." The Indians, strengthened by the inclusion of Omar and the promotion of H. D. Rumbhann and F. M. el Arculli from the second eleven, have a galaxy of batting talent and a formidable array of well-varied bowling. But playing for draws will give them almost the same results as last season. The Club have a very large selection to fall back on, Saturday's turn-out not being their strongest as Owen Hughes, who finished at the top of the batting averages with excellent figures last season, was away. The Navy are as yet an unknown quantity and the Civil Service and Kowloon have always to be considered. Craigengower have the glories of a decade ago, when Lionel Lammert led them to victory, to spur them on to great doings, while the others may always provide a surprise.

In the second league, last year's champions, the Indians, have lost their first engagement to the Sappers who have lost Lt. Hammond and Townsend. Last year, the R.E.'s were tipped as likely winners at the beginning of the season but last season when they went through half their league games without a win, Civil Service juniors have met the R.A.M.C. twice and extracted full points. A coincidence of these two matches was the margin of victory—35 runs in the first game and 26 in the return—also the small scores put up on each occasion. Last year the Club did not enter a second league team, but have done so this year and have

AMOY NEWS.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

October 22nd.
The political situation in the Amoy district is quieter now than it has been for some considerable time past.

The centre of interest seems to have moved to the Swatow district where Sun of Canton and Chan of Swatow are deciding who will control Kwangtung.

Should Sun be successful and drive Chan out of Kwangtung it is possible that he will try to capture Amoy and call upon all available troops from Poochow to drive off Chan who will be sure to follow him; or join in an attack on Amoy which will further his cause with Peking, who are willing to help anyone who will clear out the insurgent element from South Fukien.

The position is full of interest at present; a concentration of Chan's troops near Swatow is trying to stop Sun, a small but effective screen of troops is entrenched in the Amoy district investing the Island of Amoy, while a large force is on its way to Amoy from Poochow.

Chinese firebrand tacticians consider that this force has been sent to effect the capture of Amoy.

When considered seriously this seems highly improbable for Amoy is already invested and is therefore harmless. Chang (the General holding Amoy) only holds the small Island of Amoy and consequently has a very limited power, while the opium taxes will be collected by the investing troops who can afford to wait their time.

When the whole situation is taken into account it would seem as if Poochow has at last realised that the situation in the Amoy district depends upon the fate of Chan and the control of Swatow, not on the fate of Chang and the control of Amoy.

Chang was saved by Sun's attack on Chan's southern flank which caused the position and forced Chan to withdraw the majority of his troops from the attack on Amoy to meet his old enemy.

Sun is allied with the Amoy insurgent general and has saved him from defeat on one occasion. Should he be able to penetrate Fukien he may be able to relieve the city and use Amoy as a jumping off place for his mad march to Peking.

Chang, acting under the great army leader Wu Peifu, whose minion controls Poochow, and it is more than possible that the army from Poochow will pass by Amoy, leaving the city invested, support Chang in driving Sun back into Canton, and contemplate taking Amoy on the way home.

THE LOCAL SITUATION.

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KULANGSU-AMOY TELEPHONE CABLE.
The cable connecting Kulangsu with Amoy has been successfully laid.

IMPENDING DEPARTURES.

Mr. A. E. Eagles, H.B.M.'s Consul for Amoy, has been transferred to Ichang and expects to be relieved by Mr. Howlett from home leave.

Capt. H. G. Reed, Secretary and Captain-Superintendent of Police of the Kulangsu Municipal Council, leaves for England on November 1st for six months home leave together with Mrs. Reed.

Mr. C. Nicolaisen of the Great Northern Telegraph Co., sails for home on the same date together with Mrs. Nicolaisen.

NAVAL NEWS.

H.M.S. "Despatch" called at Amoy from Japan en route for Hongkong.

The American South China Patrol Destroyer Squadron is at present in port and is expected to leave for Manila on the 25th October.

The patrol, consisting of 18 destroyers and two fuel ships, is anchored in the outer harbour.

The U.S.S. "Holena" is still in port.

started auspiciously by defeating University 2nd, last year's runners-up.

It is too early yet to publish the averages as only six matches have been decided. The qualifications last year were that a player had to bat or bowl in at least two or half the number of his team's engagements; minimum, average of 20 runs for batsmen and maximum of 12 runs per wicket for bowlers.

W.P.C.

HURRICANE BOXING.

REAL THRILLS.

The Star Theatre, Kowloon, has excelled itself in providing films which give a series of thrills and show, as nothing else can, what a big really fight is like. There is here no faking; the men, thanks to cinema "close-ups," are seen in all their fighting prowess, and the fist exchanges are watched with an absorbing interest. Speedograms show the principal movements, the upper cuts, the jabs, and all the essentials of first-class boxing, and add additional interest to the display. The first film is a three-round contest between Luis Angel Firpo, and McAduliffe. It is obvious that Firpo has certain advantages of physique and the young Easterner receives his quietus in the third round, after giving a display of dash and daring that rouses the enthusiasm of the crowds shown on the film. The second encounter, that between Jesse Willard and Floyd Johnson is perhaps the better of the two, if only by reason of the fact that the contest goes to eleven rounds. Here again advantage of physique and reach is noticed. Willard, the older man, seems to tower over his younger rival, but the latter gives a marvellous display of fighting, carrying the battle continually into the enemy's camp, and fighting with an energy that must have worn down a less determined and capable fighter than Willard. It is obvious that the older man is capable of taking a great deal of punishment for the younger at times rains a lightning succession of blows which invariably find their mark, but which leave their victim unmoved. One thing stands out clearly, and that is the liking of the younger man for what we believe are called kidney punches. Like the steady tap tap of the stick of a blind man on the footwalk, so are these punches, delivered with a monotonous-like, persistency on every possible occasion. Apart from this, or in addition to it, Johnson provides a spectacle of determination and dash which impel critical appreciation. These films must surely be the best in their class. They provide those thrills which the actual encounters must have given, and that is the best tribute we can give. They interested a big audience last night, and will doubtless do the same to-night and to-morrow. Elsewhere we comment on the excellent vaudeville entertainment which is also a part of a perfect evening's entertainment.

BOTH GUILTY.

"PRESIDENT MCKINLEY" ARMS CASE.

A verdict of "guilty" was returned by the jury which investigated the case heard at the criminal sessions yesterday in which a porter and a bedroom steward, formerly employed aboard the "President McKinley" were charged with the unlawful possession of 43 mauler pistols and 2340 rounds of ammunition.

In the afternoon both prisoners gave evidence. The bedroom steward conferred that he brought the arms from Seattle to Hongkong for a man named Li Hing. He said he was told some people would come aboard for the arms when the ship reached Hongkong. He thought he was committing no breach of the law unless he took the arms ashore. The porter, he said, knew nothing about the arms. He was passing and carried the bag for him.

The first prisoner then gave evidence and told the Court that when the ship arrived at Hongkong and he had finished his work he was going ashore. To do so he had to pass the corridor of the first-class saloons. As he passed the other prisoner asked him to carry the bag and he did so. He had no knowledge of the arms till he was arrested.

Cross-examined, he said he was going to tell the officer that he knew nothing of the matter when the other prisoner came in and the officer arrested him. After that he was afraid to speak because the officer's revolver was pointing at him.—(Laughter.)

After the jury had returned their verdict the Chief Justice announced that he would sentence both prisoners on Monday morning.

THE CHARM OF BOOKS.

Let us consider how great a commodity of doctrine exists in books; how easily, how secretly, how safely, they expose the nakedness of human ignorance without putting it to shame. "These are the masters who instruct us without rods and terrules, without hard words and anger, without clothes or money. If you approach them, they are not angry; if investigating, you interrogate them, they conceal nothing; if you mistake them, they never grumble; if you are ignorant, they cannot laugh at you."
—RICHARD DE BONY.

UNIONISTS IN COUNCIL.

CONFERENCE AT PLYMOUTH.

LONDON, October 25.—Thirteen hundred delegates are attending the Unionist Conference at Plymouth, the first since the breaking up of the coalition. The conference carried a resolution affirming that the welfare of the country depended upon closer economic union with the Dominions, stressing the vital importance of inter-empire trade.

Ovation for Premier.

LONDON, October 25.—Mr. Stanley Baldwin received a great ovation at a mass meeting of 5,000 people at Plymouth. He said he contended that the Government had a definite foreign policy whereon the cabinet was entirely united and had lost no opportunity in endeavouring to secure common action, necessary to end Europe's troubles. He said the Government had not followed up the note of August 11, because immediately thereafter it became obvious that passive resistance in Germany might then be resumed. Then came President Coolidge's statement, offering American participation if invited by all the Allies in allied conference or to be represented by experts on a committee of experts under the auspices of the Reparations Commission. The Government had immediately addressed the Allies, strongly urging a prompt and affirmative reply. He had had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Poincaré and establishing relations which made it perhaps not too difficult to say what he was going to say now. Mr. Poincaré represents the opinion of practically the whole of France and I beg him to consider for himself and his nation for us and for the world, once twice, three, before he refuses this invitation.

REPARATIONS POLICY.

Mr. Baldwin reiterated the Government's well-known policy with regard to reparations. He declared the disintegration or disruption of Germany must put back for years her power to make reparations. We could not contemplate the breaking off of any part of Germany into separate States for that immediately would break the Treaty of Versailles. The position is grave but "it is inconceivable to me that when the opportunity presents itself as at present for the settlement of a settlement, there should be anyone who would refuse it."

TO FIGHT UNEMPLOYMENT.

Mr. Baldwin said Mr. Bonar Law's fiscal pledge bound him and in this parliament there would be no fundamental change. He could not see that any slight extension or adaptation of the principles hitherto sanctioned by the legislature were breaches of the pledge, but if at any time they were challenged he would always be willing to take a verdict. He had come to the conclusion that the only way to fight unemployment was by protecting the home market (prolonged cheers.)

CRUISERS TO BE BUILT.

Mr. Baldwin in referring to unemployment denied that the Government intended to depart from a sound financial policy. The Government was not pursuing a policy of active deflation, and it certainly did not propose to proceed in the direction of inflation. Referring to unemployment in shipyards, he announced that the Government had decided to lay down several light cruisers for replacement of the county class, which were many years overdue. The building programme was in strict conformity with the terms of the Washington Conference, and was merely anticipating work which must in any case be undertaken in a couple of years' time.

OPIUM CONVENTION.

TWO MEETINGS FIXED FOR JULY NEXT.

GENEVA, October 25.—The League Council provisionally decided to hold the first of the two conferences to deal with practical means of carrying out The Hague Opium Convention of 1912, next July. All states having territories in the Far East will be represented. A second conference will be held immediately afterwards. The council will decide at the next session whether all League members shall be invited thereto, or only parties to the 1912 Convention.—*Reuter.*

WARNING TO CHINA.

AMERICAN GUNBOAT TO "RETURN FIRE."

WASHINGTON, October 25.—Following the receipt of information that the town of Changsha, where the Yale Missionary Institute is situated, has been bombarded during hostilities between warring Chinese factions, the Peking Government has been notified that the American gunboat stationed at Changsha will return fire if any guns are directed against the property of American nationals.—*Reuter.*

KRUPP RELEASED.

SEVEN DAYS' LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

BERLIN, October 25.—The Essen correspondent of the *Kölnische Zeitung* learns that Herr Krupp, together with three of the company's directors, who are imprisoned at Düsseldorf, have obtained release for a period of seven days on the ground of pressing business. It is stated that the question of releasing other political prisoners is also being discussed. It is believed that the liberation of Herr Krupp and the three other directors is the beginning of extensive releases.—*Reuter.*

PRICE OF MARKS.

LONDON, October 25.—Marks are quoted 450 to 550 millions to the pound to-day.—*Reuter.*

CASTING JADES.

[Cheah Toon Lok in the Hongkong University Magazine.]

The way to Paradise is through Happy Valley.

A disappointed lover is one who has lost an opportunity. A spinster is one who waits for an opportunity.

A genius is one who has a capacity for taking pains. Girls are born geniuses.

Rhetoric is often a refuge for loose thinking.

The ways of a professor may be likened unto that of a first class typhoon, brief intervals are rare.

In a University not all fools fail in examinations.

If all students spend as much as they say, multi-millionaires must be pretty cheap.

When a man speaks of a broken heart there must be something wrong with his brain.

If profanity is a mark of education, some of our undergraduates are over-educated.

Six ounces of complexion is only worth two hours of tennis.

Beauty is not a joy forever. Cash is.

All women look pink at night.

The hostess who invites only men of genius to a party will have a dull time of it.

All young writers begin by imitating Bernard Shaw and end by plagiarising him.

An ugly face is the gift of God; a beautiful face is the work of Art.

Marriage is a test of fidelity. Only the poor get married.

A bachelor is one who knows too much about women.

An optimist is one who swears he will love a girl forever and ever.

Golf is only an excuse for blasphemy.

A romanticist is one who enjoys a kiss in spite of the rouge.

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NEW RIVER STEAMER.

"LUNGSHAN'S" MAIDEN TRIP.

Yesterday the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's new steamer "Lungshan" was thrown open for inspection. A large number of people went on board and the latest addition to the Company's fleet was universally admired. The "Lungshan" was launched in July last at the Kowloon Docks, and is now ready for service on the Hongkong-Canton run. She is to replace that fine old paddle steamer, the "Houan", which has just completed 40 years' service for the Company.

To-day the Chairman and Directors of the Company entertained at dinner a large and distinguished gathering, including many prominent Government officials. Called upon by the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N., the harbourmaster, in a neat speech, proposed success to the "Lungshan's" maiden trip to-night, a toast which was enthusiastically honoured.

FED UP SOLDIERS.

COURT-MARTIALS FOR DESERTION.

Having each done a month's "hard" in the jail for stowing away aboard the Admiral Line steamer "President Grant," two privates belonging to the King's Regiment and a gunner from the R. G. A. were court-martialled this morning for desertion and losing by neglect certain articles of kit and equipment.

Major W. P. A. Hattersley-Smith D.S.O., of the R.G.A. acted as President of the Court and the other members were Capt. W. D. Bacon, of the Bombay Grenadiers, and Lieut. F. White, of the King's. The cases were tried separately. The first to be heard was that of Gunner George Frederic Bettley, who pleaded guilty to both charges. When asked if he had anything to say the accused handed up a written statement which, for some unexplained reason, was not read out. Evidence of previous good conduct was given by his Section Officer, Lieut. H. W. Alcock, who said Bettley had proved very satisfactory up to the time he went away, and had filled a responsible post which involved the handling of large sums of money.

The court closed to consider its sentence and then proceeded to deal with the case of Private George Christian, who pleaded not guilty.

Evidence given by an Admiral Lieut. Official and Serg. Langley, of the Water Police, went to show that the accused was one of a quartette who stowed away on the "President Grant" on September 7. They were discovered before the steamer had cleared the harbour and were sent back to the Water Police Station in the agent's launch.

Christian gave evidence that he had been absent for about a fortnight previously and had been living in Kowloon. At 4.45 a.m. on the morning of September 7 he went aboard the "President Grant" to get some breakfast and fell asleep in the Chinese crew's quarters. The next thing he knew was that the ship slowed down and he was sent back to Hongkong.

The President: Did you give your name as Robert Spiers?

Accused: Yes.

Lieut. J. B. Gaffner M.C., who was acting as prosecutor pointed out at this stage that neither the Court nor himself were entitled to cross-examine the accused upon anything but the evidence he gave.

The President: Well, if the accused had put in a written statement he would not have been court-martialled at all.

The Court having closed to consider its sentence in this case, dealt next with the case of Private John Foley who pleaded guilty to desertion but denied losing part of his kit by neglect. He said he had reported some of the articles missing about three weeks before he went absent and the others were actually in his possession. The Court closed to consider its sentence.

LOCAL STRIKE.

SAILMAKERS OUT.

Another strike, which the masters allege to be groundless, has taken place in the Colony. Local sailmakers, mostly members of the *Fan Shun King Wai*, have "downed tools" after protracted negotiations on the subject of increased pay. The masters state that they have made a reasonable counter-offer and that they had suggested arbitration or a decision by the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, but the men had been adamant.

The workers originally demanded a scale of increment up to 50 per cent. and the masters offered about half what was demanded. Apparently, a deadlock set in after this and the strike to-day is the sequel.

Altogether about 150 men are involved but of this number between thirty or forty are employed by the Royal Naval Yard. They are still at work and have not taken part in the discussions as they have been content to stand by what the "outside" men will get.

Sailmaking is one of the more important smaller industries of the Colony and it is felt that some inconvenience will be caused to yacht owners and sampans. Difficulty may also be encountered in obtaining supplies of subsidiary articles, such as flags, and small ships' stores but it is felt that ship-chandlers have ample stocks on hand.

SMALL-POX.

Nine cases of small-pox (Chinese) appear in the returns of the M.O.H. for the 24 hours ending yesterday. In addition there are two Chinese patients, suffering from enteric fever.

There is to be a dance at the Palace Hotel to-morrow evening, when the band of the H.M.S. Despatch will provide the music.

PROMISSORY NOTE.

INTERESTING CASE.

That a pirate extracted a promissory note for \$112 from a hapless fisherman victim and that the freebooter had the brazen effrontery to instruct a solicitor to apply for payment of the amount, was alleged by Sergeant F. T. James of Aberdeen Station in the Police Court this morning.

The actual charge was one of piracy-in-conjunction with others, in Hongkong waters, and with kidnapping a man named Ho Kimo.

The Crown case was that the complainant was fishing with thirteen others, seven persons in each boat, as long ago as January 25, 1922. When the pirates came on the scene, they subdued the peaceful fishing folk by firing a few shots at them and then took the two boats in tow to Tam Keng Tow in Chinese territory. En route, one of the boats succeeded in escaping but the other was stripped of everything of value and the complainant was made to sign the promissory note, the process being one of impression of his thumb-print. On Tuesday last, a man who alleged to be defendant, is said to have instructed Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, Dennys and Bowley, to obtain payment and the application was sent to Aberdeen.

On Wednesday, complainant reported to the police that he recognised defendant as a man who he had seen several times at Ap-Is-chau, the island opposite Aberdeen. The police took him into custody and at an identification parade held at Central yesterday, defendant was pointed out by six of the men in the fishing-boat as one of the pirates. Sergeant James concluded his address by handing in a number of statements said to have been made by defendant in the charge-room and to have considerable bearing on the case.

Mr. R. E. A. Webster entered the Court while the case was being outlined and said that he had been instructed to defend. He applied for a week's remand and this was granted.



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OBITUARY.

MR. F. G. ALLEN.

The death took place at his house Seaview, Wanchai, yesterday, of Mr. Frederick George Allen, former local manager of the Canton and West River Tug and Lighter Company, and a respected resident of the Colony for many years.

The late Mr. Allen had long been a sufferer from Bright's disease and illness compelled him to give up his post about eighteen months ago. The deepest sympathy goes out to his widow, to his sister, Mrs. R. White, and to his brothers, Mr. H.K. Allen of the Hongkong Hotel Company and Mr. William Allen of the Eastern Extension Company, in their bereavement.

The funeral passes the Monument to-day at 5.15 p.m.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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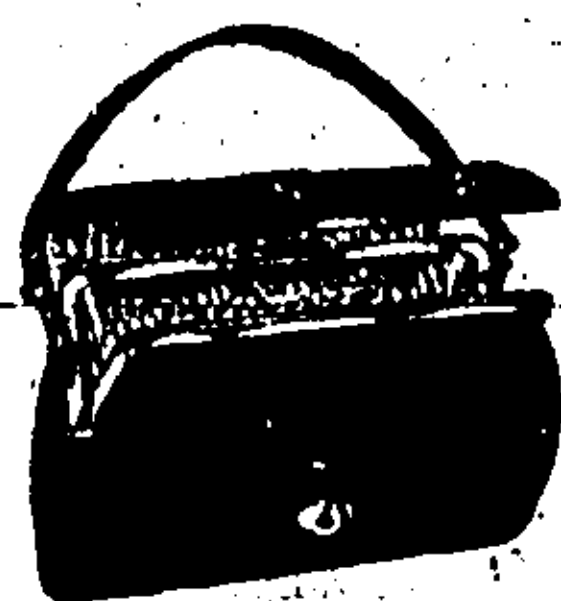
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Above: Walter S. Ward, Clarence Peters & Mrs. Walter S. Ward.
Below: Ralph Ward, George Ward, Justice Wagner & Billy Geo. Sherman.

Sensations are expected when Walter S. Ward, of New York and New Rochelle, multi-millionaire baker, is placed on trial in White Plains, before Justice Robert Wagner, charged with the murder of Clarence Peters. The trial was scheduled to begin on September 4. Peters, a former Marine, was discharged from a Southern training camp only a few days before his body was found on a lonely road in Westchester County. Ward later surrendered and said he killed Peters in a revolver duel that followed a plot to blackmail him. He declined to tell what the blackmail plot was. One indictment charging murder was dismissed, but Governor Al Smith ordered a special Grand Jury to take up the case, and Ward was re-indicted. Much bitterness was displayed in an effort to keep from the Grand Jury cables that passed between Ralph Ward, Walter Ward's brother and George Ward; their father in which Ralph asked the father's permission to give large sums to Walter, but which the father refused if the money was to go for blackmail. The elder Ward has kept out of the jurisdiction of the courts ever since. Attorney-General Carl Sherman was scheduled to try the case himself. Mrs. Walter S. Ward has stuck loyally by her husband.



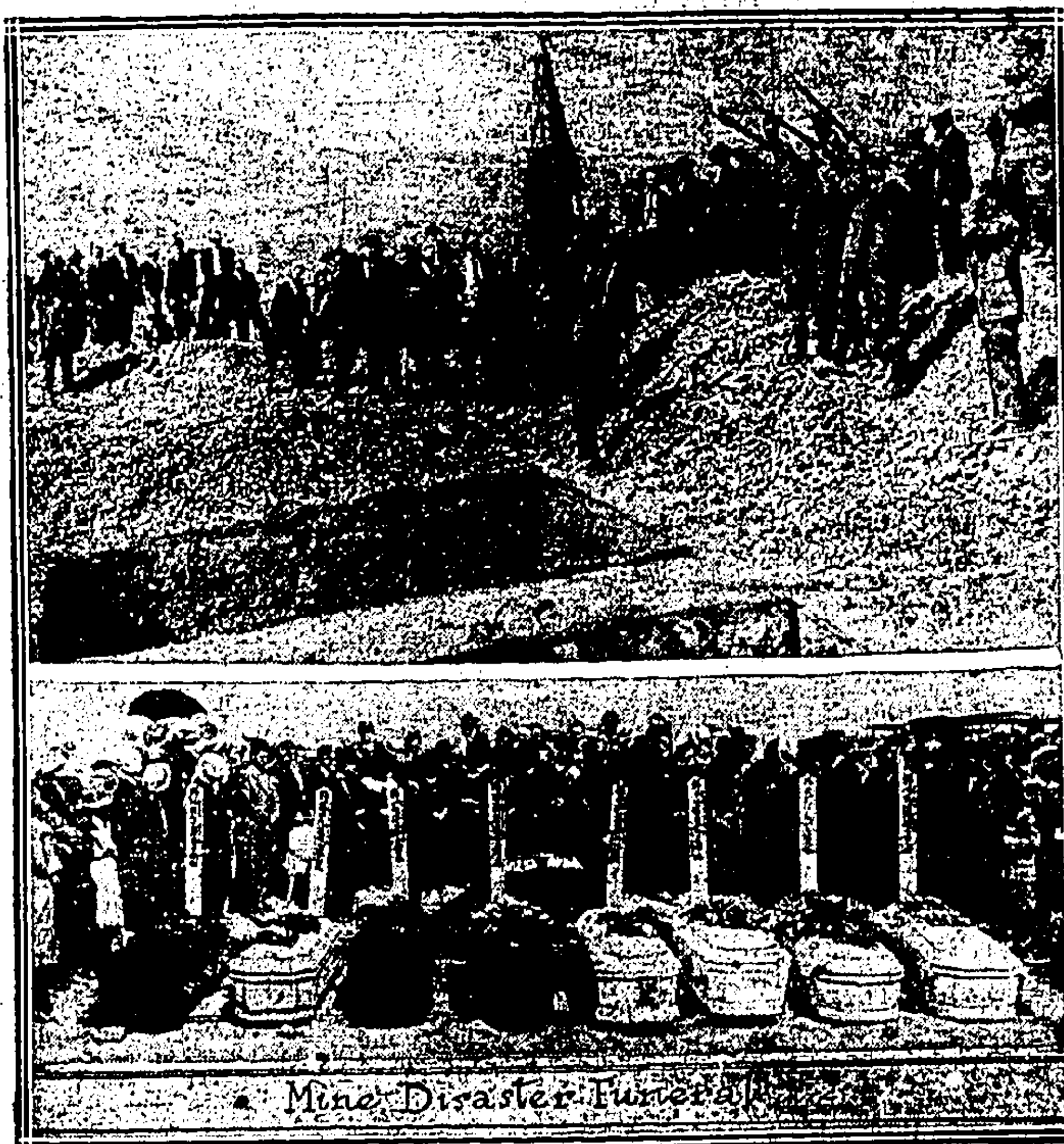
Ernest Watts.

Ernest Watts, a 17-year-old Chicago boy, has arrived in London, after a 4,000-mile tour of America and Europe on his bicycle. His travels have cost him less than \$5.



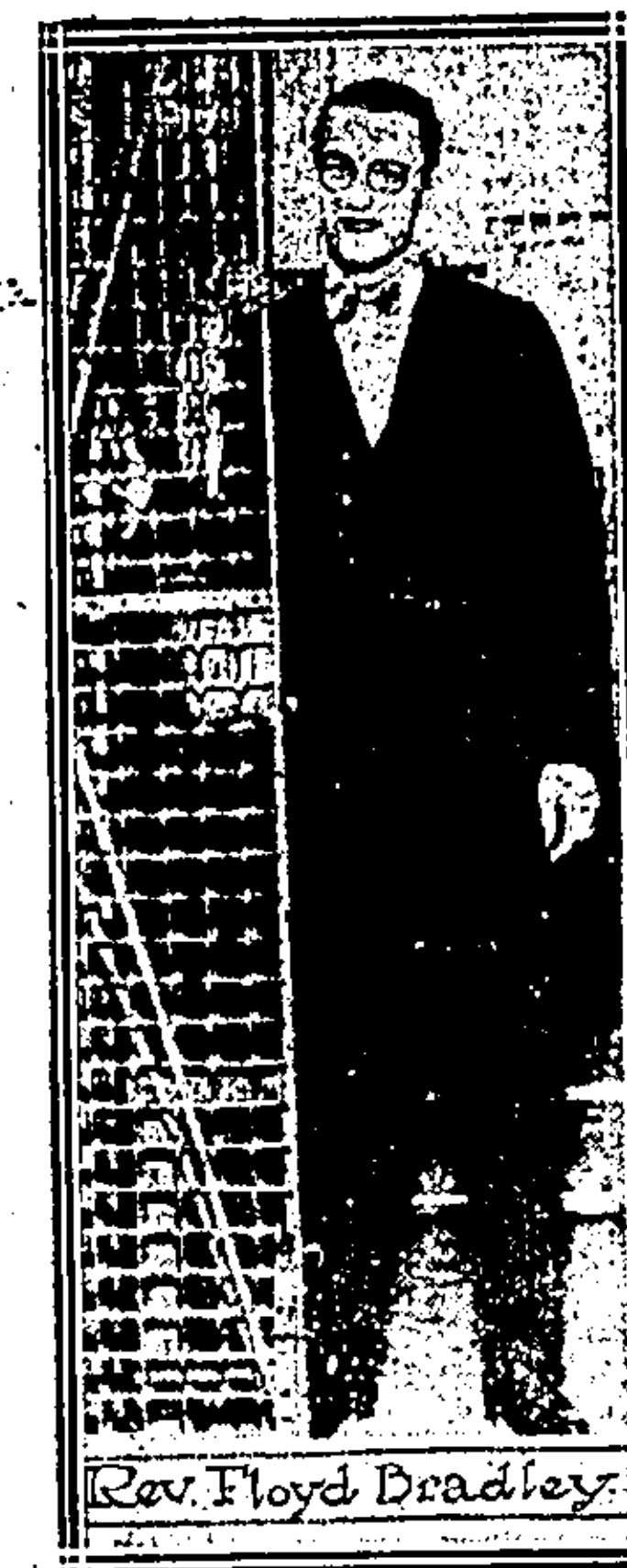
Charles L. Swann.

Charles L. Swann, of Chicago, smashed all shorthand records when he took 280 words a minute in a shorthand reporters' convention in Chicago. He took 1,403 dictated words in five minutes, with only nine errors, and broke a record when he took 992 words in the 200-words-a-minute class, with only two mistakes.

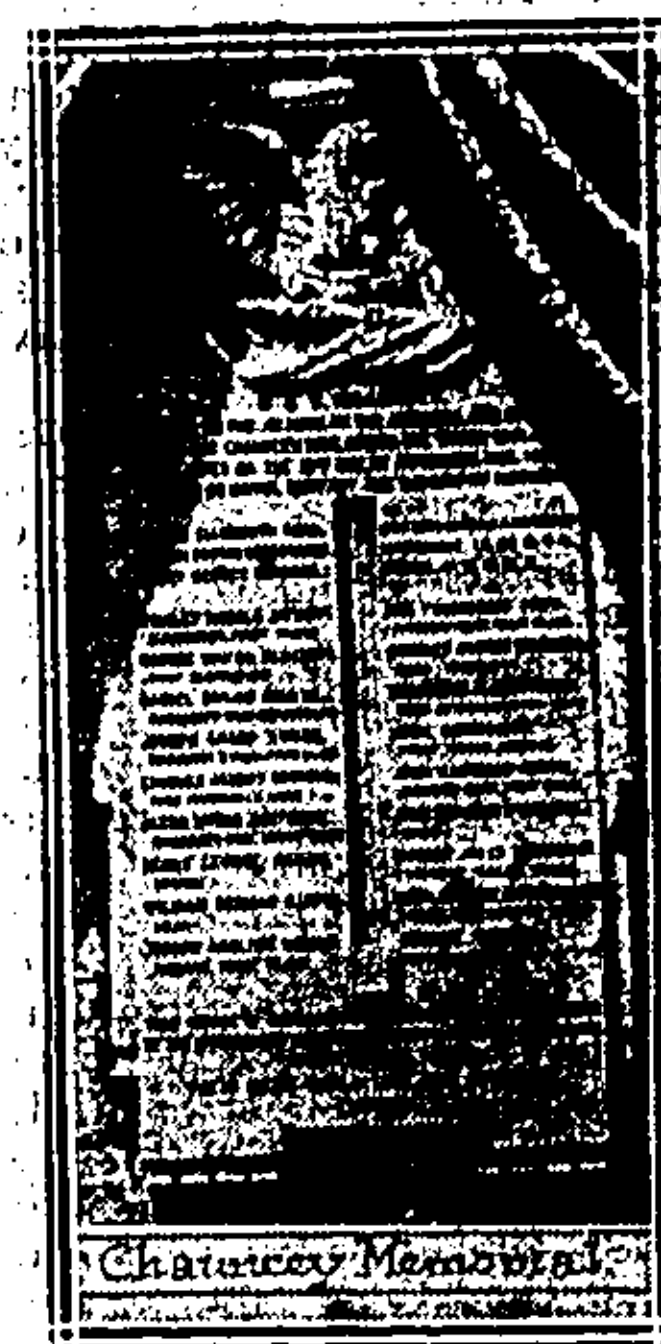


Mine Disaster Burial.

Members of the American Legion were among the 134 miners who met death in the explosion of the mine at Kammer, Wyo., and members the Legion are shown firing volleys over the graves of the dead. In the lower picture a Japanese funeral is shown, being conducted near Frontier Mine No. 1 over eight Japanese victims, who were buried in one grave.



The Rev. Floyd Bradley, pastor of the Watertown M. E. Church, near Camden, N.J., has accepted a job as elevator operator in the Camden City Hall, to raise funds for the completion of his studies for the ministry.



This tablet has been unveiled at Gibraltar to the memory of the officers and men of the U. S. S. "Chauncey," an American destroyer, that was rammed and sunk off Gibraltar on November 19, 1917, while doing patrol duty during the World War. The American dreadnought "Arkansas" sent a landing force of midshipmen and bluejackets ashore to participate in the unveiling, which was near the "King's Stairway Dock," on the famous rock.

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